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**MAYOR & COUNCIL  
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To Encourage the Preservation of Historic Buildings and Sites in the County of Santa Barbara

**SANTA BARBARA HISTORICAL MUSEUM**

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Upon the foundation of the past, we build a future worth remembering

October 1, 2007

Mayor and City Council  
Santa Barbara City Hall  
De la Guerra Plaza  
Santa Barbara, CA 93101

Dear Mayor Blum:

The Santa Barbara Trust for Historic Preservation and the Santa Barbara Historical Museum asked the city's poet laureate, Perie Longo, to compose a poem to commemorate two important anniversaries: Santa Barbara's origins 225 years ago when the Presidio was established, and the founding of the Historical Museum 75 years ago.

Our two institutions are dedicated to preserving Santa Barbara's traditions and expanding the knowledge of its long history from the Chumash to the present. Our museums, located in the center of the city, recall the architecture and culture of the earliest years of Spanish and Mexican Santa Barbara and provide quiet courtyards where many people find respite from the bustle of downtown business. Inside, visitors explore the art, culture, social activities and history of Santa Barbara residents of the past two centuries.

We offer the poem to the city that we honor and love and that has supported us over many years.

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We would like to make a formal presentation at a City Council meeting, with Ms. Longo reading the poem, preferably at the Oct. 23 meeting. Could you put us on your agenda for that date?

Sincerely yours,

*Barbara Lindemann*

Barbara Lindemann  
President, Trust for Historic Preservation

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